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Psalm 56

1 Be gracious to me, O God, for man has trampled upon me; fighting all day long he oppresses me. **2** My foes have trampled upon me all day long, for they are many who fight proudly against me. **3** When I am afraid, I will put my trust in You. **4** In God, whose word I praise, in God I have put my trust; I shall not be afraid. What can mere man do to me?

5 All day long they distort my words; all their thoughts are against me for evil. **6**

They attack, they lurk, they watch my steps, as they have waited to take my life. **7** Because of wickedness, cast them forth, in anger put down the peoples, O

God! **8** You have taken account of my wanderings; put my tears in Your bottle.

Are they not in Your book? **9** Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call; this I know that God is for me.

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Faith's Response to Fear: Trust



Psalm 3:1-8 –

1 O Lord, how my adversaries have increased! Many are rising up against me. **2** Many are saying of my soul, "There is no deliverance for him in God." Selah. **3** But You, O Lord, are a shield about me, my glory, and the One who lifts my head. **4** I was crying to the Lord with my voice, and He answered me from His holy mountain. Selah.

5 I lay down and slept; I awoke, for the Lord sustains me. **6** I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people who have set themselves against me round about. **7** Arise, O Lord; save me, O my God! For You have smitten all my enemies on the cheek; You have shattered the teeth of the wicked. **8** Salvation belongs to the Lord; Your blessing be upon Your people! Selah.

Faith's Response to Persecution: Obedience



Malachi 3:16 –

Then those who feared the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the Lord and esteemed his name.

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Weekly Challenge



Post something this week that reminds us to trust in God and not ourselves. Let's pray that God will help us do that.